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Philippians 3:10-14

WHERE DOES YOUR
AMBITION TAKE YOU?

THAT I MAY KNOW HIM!

I gave up all that inferior stuff so I could know Christ personally, experience his resurrection power, be a partner in his suffering, and go all the way with him to death itself. If there was any way to get in on the resurrection from the dead, I wanted to do it. - Philippians 3:10-11 (MSG)

1. A Personal Relationship
2. A Powerful Relationship
3. A Passionate Relationship

ACHIEVING A WORTHY AMBITION

I'm not saying that I have this all together, that I have it made. But I am well on my way, reaching out for Christ, who has so wondrously reached out for me. Friends, don't get me wrong: By no means do I count myself an expert in all of this, but I've got my eye on the goal, where God is beckoning us onward—to Jesus. I'm off and running, and I'm not turning back. - Philippians 3:12-14 (MSG)

1. I Will FACE MY FAULTS.
2. I Will FORGET MY FAILURES.
3. I Will FOCUS ON MY FAITH.

OFF AND RUNNING!

A. CONCENTRATION

“No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. - Matthew 6:24 (NLT)

Be sure that your faith is in God alone [when you pray]. Do not waver, for a person with divided loyalty is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is blown and tossed by the wind. ... Their loyalty is divided between God and the world, and they are unstable in everything they do. - James 1:6, 8 (NLT)

You say, “I am allowed to do anything”—but not everything is good for you. And even though “I am allowed to do anything,” I must not become a slave to anything. - 1 Corinthians 6:12 (NLT)

B. DETERMINATION

Pursue a righteous life—a life of wonder, faith, love, steadiness, courtesy. Run hard and fast in the faith. Seize the eternal life, the life you were called to, the life you so fervently embraced. - 1 Timothy 6:11-12 (MSG)

All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. ²⁶ So I run with purpose in every step. I am not just shadowboxing. ²⁷ I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified. - 1 Corinthians 9:25-27 (NLT)

C. DESTINATION

Don't tolerate people who try to run your life, ordering you to bow and scrape, insisting that you join their obsession with angels and that you seek out visions. They're a lot of hot air, that's all they are. They're completely out of touch with the source of life, Christ, who puts us together in one piece, whose very breath and blood flow through us. He is the Head and we are the body. We can grow up healthy in God only as he nourishes us. - Colossians 2:18-19 (MSG)

Look up, and be alert to what is going on around Christ—that's where the action is. See things from his perspective. Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. He is your life. When Christ (your real life, remember) shows up again on this earth, you'll show up, too—the real you, the glorious you. Meanwhile, be content with obscurity, like Christ. - Colossians 3:2-4 (MSG)

I Will Live This Verse Out by...

- Memorizing **Philippians 3:10**.
- Developing a worthy ambition centered on Jesus Christ.
- Focusing my faith with the energy of a spiritual athlete.
- Giving my life to Jesus as Savior and Lord, for the first time.